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Real Estate License Revocations

RICHMOND – The Virginia Real Estate Board revoked two salesperson licenses at its most recent meeting Thursday, March 22. Below is a summary of the Board's actions.

Copies of file orders are available online at www.dpor.virginia.gov under "License Lookup." Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

FIAZ ANWAR

MCLEAN, VA

File Number 2006-01349

COMPLAINANT – Dorothy and Steve Holden (Fairfax, VA)

VIOLATION – Anwar failed to act in a manner as to safeguard the public's interest; failed to account for monies belonging to others in a reasonable timeframe; failed to provide notice of material changes to the transaction to all principals; failed to disclose conflict of interest; engaged in improper, fraudulent or dishonest conduct; and failed to notify the Board of an address change.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 0225041097 and \$13,000 in fines.

RUSSELL GORDON BELL

RICHMOND, VA

File Number 2007-00237

VIOLATION – Bell, by failing to disclose a misdemeanor conviction, obtained a salesperson's license by false or fraudulent representation.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 0225078354.

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About DPOR and the Virginia Real Estate Board:

The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) regulates nearly 40 commercial occupations and certain professions. The agency licenses or certifies more than 300,000 individuals and businesses ranging from architects and contractors to cosmetologists and professional wrestlers.

DPOR investigates reports of regulatory violations by licensees; responds to business-related consumer inquiries and requests for license checks; administers recovery funds for consumers harmed in contractor or real estate transactions; and conducts mediation services and public awareness campaigns.

The Real Estate Board regulates approximately 80,000 businesses and individuals who represent others in property transactions. The Board administers the Virginia Real Estate Transaction Recovery Fund, which provides monetary relief to eligible consumers who incur losses through the improper and dishonest conduct of a licensed real estate practitioner. The fund is supported entirely by assessments paid by licensed real estate professionals, not by any tax revenues.

For more information, visit DPOR online at www.dpor.virginia.gov.